empowered to take cognizance in cases of cheating and harassment.

(ii) Adequate deployment of Security Forces/State Police is being ensured around the tourist spots and also roads leading to such places.

(iii) Regular patrolling and anti-sabotage checks are being undertaken in and around tourist places and roads leading there.

(iv) A separate security arrangement exists at the Shrine of Mata Vaishno Devi at Katra and its proximity, which is operational on a permanent basis.

(v) Special security arrangements have been made for the pilgrims visiting Shri Amarnath Ji cave, Pahalgam and Kheer Bhawani. Security Forces are ensuring a multi-tiered security system for the pilgrims.

Union Government provides necessary support to the State Government on request, and continuously monitors the security situation.

(e) No, Sir.

Development of village tourism

†2697. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have formulated any plan for the development of village tourism in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the States wherein this plan has been implemented by Government; and

(d) the villages in Goa and Maharashtra selected for this purpose?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The creation of infrastructure in Rural areas having potential for tourism is being supported under the existing scheme of Product/ Infrastructure Development for Destination and Circuit of Ministry of Tourism, while community participation and the capacity building including skill up gradation in such rural areas are being supported through GOI-UNDP

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Endogenous Tourism Project. The rural sites for implementation of above mentioned components are identified as per the recommendation received from State/UT Governments. The objective is to showcase rural life, art, culture and heritage at rural locations and in villages, which have core-competency in terms of culture/craft/handlooms/textile etc.

(c) Under the scheme funds are sanctioned and released to the State/ UT Governments. Based on proposals received from State Government during 10th Five Year Plan, the details of Central Financial Assistance extended for development of each such village for infrastructure creation is enclosed at statement-I (*See* below) and central assistance extended for capacity building etc. under UNDP project is enclosed at statement-II (*See* below).

(d) Based on proposal received from State Government of Maharashtra, Rs. 50 lakh has been sanctioned during 2003-04 under infrastructure development and Rs. 20 lakh has been sanctioned for capacity building during 2004-05 for the Rural Tourism site at Sulibhanjan-Khultabad Distt. Aurangabad. The following sites have been prioritized for the year 2006-07 in consultation with the State Government of Maharashtra:

(i) Village near Kolhapur

(ii) Village near Pune for Gurukul

Ministry of Tourism has not received any proposal to sanction funds under the scheme for rural tourism site from Goa Government.

Statement-I

List of Statewise tourism projects sanctioned during the 10th Plan under rural tourism scheme (Hardware)

(Rs. in lakh)

State	Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Year of Sanction	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released
1. Andhra Pradesh	1	Development of Rural Tourism at Pochampalli, Nalgonda Distt.	2003-04	50.00	40.00
	2	Rural Tourism at Konaseema Village, East Godavari Distt.	2003-04	50.00	50.00
	3	Development of Rural Tourism at Puttaparthi, Ananthpur Distt.	2004-05	49.50	49.50
	4	Development of Rural Tourism at Chinchinada, East Godavari Distt.	2004-05	50.00	40.00

State	Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Year of Sanction	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released
	5	Development of Rural Tourism at Srikalahasti, Chittor Distt.	2004-05	50.00	40.00
2. Arunachal Pradesh	6	Development of Rural Tourism at Village Rengo, Distt. East Siang.	2005-06	49.62	39.69
3. Assam	7	Development of Rural Tourism at Durgapur, Distt. Golaghat	2002-03	46.83	14.04
	8	Rural Tourism Dehing-Patakai Kshetra, Distt. Tinsukia	2004-05	44.33	35.46
	9	Rural Tourism at Sualkuchi in Kamrup Distt.	2004-05	50.00	40.00
	10	Rural Tourism Project at Village Asharikandi, Distt. Dhubri	2005-06	48.97	39.17
4. Bihar	11	Rural Tourism Project at Nepura Village, Distt. Nalanda	2003-04	50.00	40.00
5. Chhattis-garh	12	Development of Rural Tourism at Village Chitrakote, Distt. Bastar	2003-04	50.00	40.00
	13	Development of Rural Tourism at Chitrokote, Distt Bastar	2003-04	50.00	40.00
	14	Development of Rural Tourism at Champaran, Distt. Raipur	2003-04	50.00	15.00
	15	Rural Tourism at nagarnar, Distt. Bastar	2003-04	48.00	38.40
	16	Rural Tourism at Village Kondagaon, Distt. Bastar	2005-06	50.00	40.00
6. Delhi	17	Rural Tourism at Kotla Mubarakpur	2003-04	09.78	09.78
	18	Rural Tourism at Nangli, Razapur, Delhi	2003-04	36.30	36.30
7. Gujarat	19	Development of heritage Village at Tera, Distt. Kachchh	2003-04	50.00	40.00
	20	Rural Tourism at Hodka, Distt. Kachchh	2003-04	50.00	40.00
	21	Development of Navagaon and Malegaon rural tourism, Distt. Dang	2003-04	92.70	27.81
8. Haryana	22	Rural Tourism at Jyotisar, Distt. Kurukshetra	2003-04	50.00	40.00
9. Himachal	23	Rural Tourism at Nagar, Distt. Kullu	2003-04	50.00	40.00
Pradesh	24	Rural Tourism Paragpur, Distt. Kangra Valley	2003-04	50.00	40.00

State	Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Year of Sanction	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released
10. Jammu & Kashmir	25	Development of Rural Tourism at Village Drung, Distt Baramula	2005-06	50.00	40.00
	26	Development of Rural Tourism at Village Surinsar, Distt. Jammu	2005-06	50.00	40.00
	27	Development of Rural Tourism at Village Gagangir, Distt. Srinagar	2005-06	50.00	40.00
	28	Development of Rural Tourism at Village Pahalgam, Distt. Anantnag	2005-06	50.00	40.00
	29	Development of Rural Tourism at village Jheri, Distt. Jammu	2005-06	50.00	40.00
11. Karnataka	30	Rural Tourism Project at Kokkare Bellur, Distt. Bellur	2002-03	50.00	15.00
	31	Development of Attiveri Bird Sanctuary as a rural tourism project, Distt. Uttar Kannada	2003-04	60.00	18.00
	32	Rural Tourism at Banavasi Distt., Uttar Kannada	2003-04	50.00	40.00
	33	Rural Tourism project in Anegundi, Distt. Koppal	2003-04	50.00	40.00
	34	Rural Tourism project in Coorg, Distt. Kodagu	2003-04	50.00	40.00
12. Kerala	35	Development of Kumbalangi as Rural Tourism Destination, Distt. Ernakulam	2003-04	50.00	50.00
	36	Development of Rural Tourism at Arnamula, Distt. Pathanamthitta	2003-04	20.00	16.00
	37	Development of village Balrampur in Thiruvananthapuram Distt.	2004-05	50.00	40.00
	38	Development of Rural Tourism at Village Kalady, Distt. Ernakulam for Spice Circuit	2006-07	47.20	37.76
	39	Development of Rural Tourism at Village Anakkara, Distt. Idukki for Spice Circuit	2006-07	50.00	40.00
13. Madhya Pradesh	40	Rural Tourism in Hatwa Village, Distt. Siddhi	2002-03	44.00	13.20
	41	Rural Tourism at Chaugan, Distt. Mandla	2003-04	50.00	40.00
	42	Rural Tourism Project at Pranpur,	2003-04	48.00	38.00

State	Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Year of Sanction	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released
		Distt. Ashoknagar			
	43	Rural Tourism Project at Orchha, Distt, Tikamgarh	2005-06	50.00	40.00
14. Mahara-shtra	44	Rural Tourism at Sulibhanjan-Khultabad Distt. Aurangabad	2003-04	50.00	40.00
15. Nagaland	45	Rural Tourism at Mopunchupket, Distt. Mokokchung	2002-03	50.00	40.00
16. Orissa	46	Rural Tourism Project at Raghurajpur, Distt. Puri	2002-03	50.00	40.00
	47	Development of Village Pipli in Puri Distt.	2004-05	50.00	40.00
	48	Development of Rural Tourism at Village Khiching, Distt, Mayurbhanj	2005-06	50.00	40.00
	49	Development of Rural at Village Barpali, Distt. Bargarh	2006-07	50.00	40.00
	50	Development of Rural Tourism at Village Hirapur, Distt. Khurda	2006-07	50.00	40.00
	51	Development of Rural Tourism at Village Padmanavpur, Distt. Ganjam	2006-07	50.00	40.00
17. Rajasthan	52	Rural Tourism at Neemrana, Distt. Alwar	2003-04	50.00	50.00
	53	Rural Tourism Project Samode Village, Distt. Jaipur	2003-04	50.00	40.00
18.Sikkim	54	Development of Village Lachen in North Distt.	2004-05	50.00	40.00
19. Tamil Nadu	55	Development of Kazhugumalai Under rural Tourism, Distt. Thoothukudi	2003-04	48.66	38.94
	56	Development of Theerthamalai, Distt. Dharmapuri	2003-04	50.00	40.00
	57	Rural Tourism at Karaikudi, Chettinadu, Distt. Sivaganga	2003-04	50.00	40.00
	58	Development of Devipattinam Navbhashnam in Ramnathpuram Distt.	2005-06	50.00	40.00
	59	Thirukurungudi, Distt. Tirunelveli	2005-06	50.00	40.00
	60	Thiruppudaimaurthur, Distt. Tirunelveli, Tamil Nadu	2005-06	49.55	39.64
	61	Development of Rural Tourism at	2006-07	50.00	40.00

State	Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Year of Sanction	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released
		Village Kombai, Distt. Theni, for Spice Circuit			
	62	Development of Rural Tourism at Village Thadiyankudissai, Distt. Dindigul, for Spice Circuit	2006-07	50.00	40.00
20.Tripura	63	Rural Tourism at Kamlasagar, Distt. West Tripura	2002-03	42.92	13.48
	64	Rural tourism at Jampui Hills, Distt. North Tripura	2003-04	50.00	40.00
	65	Development of Rural Tourism at Village Joychandrapur, Distt. South Tripura	2005-06	50.00	40.00
21. Uttaran-chal	66	Rural Tourism Project at Jageshwar, Distt. Almora	2002-03	50.00	50.00
	67	Rural Tourism Project in Agora Village (Dodital) Uttar Kashi Distt.	2005-06	48.50	38.80
	68	Development of Hub Village at Mottad and its satellite station	2005-06	48.05	38.44
	69	Development of Rural Tourism at Village Chekhoni Bora, Distt. Champawat.	2005-06	44.20	35.28
	70	Development of Rural Tourism at Village Koti, Indroli	2005-06	47.10	37.68
	71	Development of Rural Tourism at Village Mana, Distt. Chamoli	2005-06	50.00	40.00
	72	Development of Rural Tourism (Eco-Tourism) in Devriyatal at Village Sari, Distt. Rudraprayag	2005-06	45.14	36.00
22. Uttar Pradesh	73	Development of Rural Tourism at Bhitar Gram, Distt. Rae Bareli.	2005-06	49.52	39.62
	74	Development of Rural Tourism at Village Mukhrai, Distt. Mathura	2005-06	45.89	36.00
23. West Bengal	75	Development of Rural Tourism Centre at Ballabhpur Danga, Distt. Birbhum	2003-04	50.00	15.00
	76	Development of Village Sonada, Distt. Darjeeling	2004-05	50.00	40.00
	77	Development of Rural Tourism at Village Mukutmonipur, Distt. Bankura	2006-07	50.00	40.00
		Total		3764.76	2826.99

Statement II

List of statewise projects sanctioned during 10th plan under Goi-undp Endogenous Tourism

(Rs. in lakh)

State		Name of Project	Name of Distt.	Year of Sanction	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released
1. Andhra Pradesh	1	Pochampalli	Naglonda	2004-05	20.00	16.00
	2	Srikalahasti	Chittoor	2004-05	20.00	16.00
2. Assam	3	Durgapur,	Golaghat	2004-05	20.00	16.00
	4	Sualkuchi	Kamrup	2004-05	19.95	15.96
3. Bihar	5	Nepura	Nalanda	2004-05	20.00	16.00
4. Chhattisgarh	6	Chitrakote,	Bastar	2004-05	20.00	16.00
	7	Nagarnar,	Bastar	2004-05	20.00	16.00
5. Gujarat	8	Hodka	Kachchh	2004-05	20.00	16.00
6. Haryana	9	Jyotisar,	Kurukshetra	2004-05	20.00	16.00
7. Himachal Pradesh	10	Naggar,	Kullu	2004-05	20.00	16.00
8. Karnataka	11	Banavasi	Uttara Kannada	2004-05	20.00	16.00
	12	Anegundi	Koppal	2005-06	20.00	16.00
9. Kerala	13	Kumbalangi	Ernakulam	2004-05	20.00	16.00
	14	Arnamula,	Pathanamthitta	2004-05	20.00	16.00
	15	Kalady (Spice Circuit)	Ernakulam	2005-06	10.00	08.00
	16	Anakkara (Spice Circuit)	Idukki	2005-06	10.00	08.00
10. Madhya Pradesh	17	Pranpur	Ashok Nagar	2004-05	20.00	16.00
	18	Chaugan,	Mandla	2004-05	20.00	16.00
11. Maharashtra	19	Sulibhanjan-Khultabad	Aurangabad	2004-05	20.00	16.00
12. Orissa	20	Raghurajpur,	Puri	2004-05	20.00	17.60
	21	Pipli	Puri	2004-05	20.00	16.00
13. Punjab	22	Rajasansi	Amritsar	2004-05	20.00	16.00
14. Rajasthan	23	Neemrana,	Alwar	2004-05	20.00	16.00
	24	Samode	Jaipur	2004-05	20.00	16.00
	25	Haldighati	Rajsamand	2004-05	19.32	15.45
15. Sikkim	26	Lachen	North Distt.	2004-05	20.00	16.00
16. Tamil Nadu	27	Kazhugumalai	Thoothukudi	2004-05	20.00	16.00
	28	Karaikudi,	Sivaganga	2004-05	20.00	16.00
	29	Kombai (Spice Circuit)	Theni	2005-06	10.00	08.00

State		Name of Project	Name of Distt.	Year of Sanction	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released
	30	Thadiyankudisai (Spice Circuit)	Dindigul	2005-06	10.00	08.00
17. Tripura	31	Kamlasagar,	West Tripura	2004-05	20.00	16.00
18. Uttaranchal	32	Jageshwar,	Almora	2005-06	20.00	16.00
	33	Mana	Chamoli	2004-05	20.00	16.00
19. Uttar Pradesh	34	Bhaguwala	Saharanpur	2004-05	19.75	15.50
20. West Bengal	35	Ballabhpur Danga,	Birbhum	2004-05	20.00	16.00
	36	Mukutmonipur	Bankura	2004-05	20.00	16.00
		Total			679.02	544.51

National tourism promotion board

2698. SHRI SHAHID SIDDIQUI:
SHRI KAMAL AKHTAR:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up a National Tourism Promotion Board;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) to (c) There has been a demand from various quarters to set up a National Tourism Promotion Board. However, tourism being an amalgam of various activities like accommodation, food & beverages, entertainment services, transportation (railways, roadways, civil aviation, waterways), taxes, travel agencies, etc., which fall within the jurisdiction of different Ministries or State Governments, pros & cons of setting up of a "Board" *vis-a-vis* the existing system need detailed examination.

Chilka region as a tourist spot

2699. SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to make Chilka region of Orissa a modern tourist hot-spot to boost tourism;